



STEM Careers

Public Health Careers

Job Description: Work to create healthy communities through education, research and promotion of healthy lifestyles.

What do people in Public Health careers do?

- A **behavioral scientist** might review patients in a smoking cessation program, help administer a community based violence prevention program, or examine ways to boost childhood immunizations.
- An **epidemiologist** might survey residents of an area about substance abuse or assist with day-to-day surveillance and control of such infectious diseases as *E. coli*, salmonella and hepatitis.
- A **nurse educator** might conduct classes in the education of health care professionals or the public, including parents.
- A **health communications specialist** might implement ways to encourage people to change certain attitudes, beliefs or behaviors so that they adopt better health practices and improve their health.

Your Interests:

- Do you work well on team?
- Are you good at communicating your ideas with others?

Outlook:

Average Salary – \$21.32-\$29.66 hourly,
\$44,340-\$61,700 yearly
Projected Job Openings – varies
depending on the career

Education/Program of Study:

- Minimum Bachelor's degree in a related major
- Some positions will require Master's Degree or Ph.D.

Sources:

<http://www.whatispublichealth.org/careers/PfizerGuide/behavsci.pdf>

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